

Harpurhey Alternative Provision School

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Thursday 2nd September 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Everyone at HAPS hopes that you have had a good summer and that you have all remained safe and well. It is now, you'll be pleased to hear, time to return to school and we look forward to welcoming young people, old and new, back to school from next week.

In line with government recommendations and guidance, we will be open on the following basis.

Key Stage 3 pupils, that is Year 8 and 9, are asked to attend from **9.30 am** on the morning of **Tuesday 7th September**. Arrangements for **Key Stage 4** pupils, that is Year 10 and 11, will be the same as for Key Stage 3 but the start time will be **10.15 am**. Breakfast will be available.

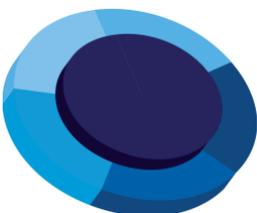
Lateral flow tests will then be completed with all the pupils. Government guidance is that pupils need to be tested by the schools **twice** before a full return to school and then **twice weekly** at home for the foreseeable future. Risks from COVID-19 remain and we must do all we can to slow down and rid ourselves of the spread of the virus.

We have moved to new premises, our lease arrangement with The Manchester College has come to an end and we thank them for their work with us over the last ten years. We are now located in part of the building that is **The Miner's Community Centre**, located on Woodford Road and close to the F.C. United football stadium. If you are unsure where this is, please do contact us using the mobile contact above and we will do what we can to help you locate us. We will spend part of the session familiarising the pupils with our new location and outlining our expectations of the relationship we need to build with our new landlords.

Once we have completed this, pupils will be issued with a work-pack of English, maths and Science to complete at home. Pupils will return on **Friday 10th September** to take a second lateral flow test and to return the work-packs.

Normal school arrangements will apply from **Monday 13th September** and all pupils will be issued with detailed arrangements on their Friday visit. All pupils will attend at the same times.

We've been asked to encourage families to carry on with the lateral flow testing twice a week at home as the term progresses. Again, we will provide guidance to pupils and families in the session on Friday 10th September.



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I would like to remind you that the school uniform is a black collared top, such as a polo shirt and black trousers or skirt, and whilst there remains a chance that we enjoy some good weather, black shorts if desired. I make no apology for having high standards and have every faith that students will rise to meet them.

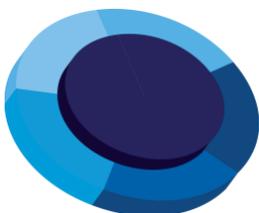
As a group of students and staff we now have a crucial job to do to ensure pupils get back 'into the groove.' The last eighteen months have not been normal. We must all now focus on delivering the best possible outcomes for our young people in partnership with you and their schools.

Huge thanks for your ongoing support,

Best wishes and stay safe,



Michael Hill
Headteacher



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